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POLICY REVISION COMMENTS

DOC 420.140 Cell/Room Assignment

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- DOC response to OCO single cell report indicated that DOC would revise DOC 300.380
 Classification & Custody Facility Plan Review, which has more limited criteria for single
 cell assignments than DOC 420.140. If 300.380 is not revised, there is no resolution to
 the original problem that we identified in the report (having two separate, parallel
 pathways for being assigned to a single cell).
- No appeal mechanism is specified, nor is there a prohibition against grieving
- Original 420.140 criterion of "likely to be exploited or victimized by others" is no longer included in revision
- Unclear if Section I of revised 420.140 is included in consideration of Section III of the revision